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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of) Examiner: John C. Fox
Eidsmore, et al.)
Serial No.: 10/808,786) Group Art Unit: 3753
Filed: March 25, 2004) Confirmation No. 6027
For: MODULAR FLUID COMPONENTS) Attorney Docket No.: 22188/06572

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Examiner Fulton:

In Response to the Office action dated January 18, 2006, Applicants hereby respond as follows. It is believed that there is no additional fee associated with the filing and consideration of this amendment, however, should the Commissioner decide that any fee or fee deficiency is due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any and all fees incurred as a result of entering this amendment and response to deposit account number 03-0172.

Please amend the present application as follows:

- > Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.
- Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.